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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Coordination Staff, ICS

SUBJECT : Notes on the National/Tactical Intelligence
Capabilities Working Group Meeting of
17 March 1975

1. The National Working Group met on 17 March 1975 in Room 6E25 between 1000 - 1230 hours with the following representatives in attendance:

[redacted], USN, DCI/IC - Acting Chairman
[redacted], USA, DIA
[redacted]
CDR. P. H. Keast, USN, NAVINTCOM
[redacted], USN, NSA
Maj. R. Q. Pelott, USMC, HQMC
Maj. B. D. Lucas, USAF, AFIN
[redacted], CIA
[redacted], NSA
[redacted], USAF, DCI/IC

Members Absent:

LTC B. H. Davis, USA, ACSI
Capt. R. H. Engelbrecht, USN, J-6 (JCS)

2. The meeting was scheduled for the purpose of discussing the following topics:

a. Assumptions governing the use of national assets during the conventional operations phase of the execution of USCINCEUR OPLAN 4224.

b. Review of proposed National/Strategic EEIs.

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c. Criterion for scoring National Assets against EUCOM sample EEI.

d. Results of scoring National Assets.

e. Work plan for next two meetings.

3. Assumptions. Changes to the draft set of assumptions issued to members at previous meeting were discussed. A copy of the revised assumptions is attached. Members were asked to clear, at whatever level necessary in their respective organizations, the assumptions and forward changes by COB, 19 March 1975. The consensus of the group was that an agreed set of assumptions was necessary prior to further scoring of national assets.

4. National EEI. The Group reviewed EEI as proposed. No changes were offered. Questions were raised as to how or if this set of sample EEI would be authenticated by higher policy level. Chairman requested that the members take the sample set back to their respective organizations for comment and concurrences by COB, 19 March 1975. The questions as to how and if this sample set of National EEI would be authenticated were not answered. Suggestions ranged from--have NSC, NSCIC, JCS, NIOs or some combinations review them.

5. Criterion for Scoring. The proposal for criteria scoring was tabled by the Chairman. There was much discussion as to the difference between the criteria and the assumptions. Nothing on the criterion question was resolved, except that additional proposals would be welcomed at the next meeting of the Working Group. There was general agreement on the essentiality of an approved set of criterion and assumptions, prior to completing the scoring process.

6. Scoring Assets. All members present had completed the scoring process as requested; however, there was confusion among the members as to what the procedure had been. The Navy representative had consolidated his score, assignment of confidence level, by assuming that if his asset could collect against a target, but could not meet, say the timeliness requirement, then the asset received a low score. He had understood that in each case a footnote was required to explain the score. On the other hand, the [] NSA reps had scored their assets in a different way, that is, if they could collect on the target it was scored, with an indication as to whether the timeliness factor had been met. Since both procedures seemed a sound way to proceed, and there was no agreement as to which was the best technique, the precise method was not prescribed and decision was deferred until the 21 March 1975 Working Group meeting. The group was concerned about three matters, with respect to the scoring:

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a. That they proceed together, in the same way on scoring.

b. That the Theater and National Working Groups scoring, criterion, assumptions be similar in form.

c. That communication and decisions on these matters be reached soon and transmitted to the two Working Groups.

7. Work Plan. Next meeting of the group is scheduled for 21 March 1975, 1000 hours, at the Pentagon. [redacted] is making the arrangements. Each member, prior to COB, 19 March 1975, is to have reported back to [redacted] changes to the criterion, assumptions, and EEI.

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